

(c) REVISION OF FLOOD INSURANCE RATE LOT MAPS.—As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall revise the appropriate flood insurance rate lot maps of the agency to reflect the treatment under subsection (a) of the real property described in subsection (b).

SEC. 308. STUDY OF PARTICIPATION BY INDIAN TRIBES IN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

(a) DEFINITION OF INDIAN TRIBE.—In this section, the term "Indian tribe" has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b).

(b) STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency shall conduct a study of participation by Indian tribes in emergency management.

(2) REQUIRED ELEMENTS.—The study shall—

(A) survey participation by Indian tribes in training, predisaster and postdisaster mitigation, disaster preparedness, and disaster recovery programs at the Federal and State levels; and

(B) review and assess the capacity of Indian tribes to participate in cost-shared emergency management programs and to participate in the management of the programs.

(3) CONSULTATION.—In conducting the study, the Director shall consult with Indian tribes.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director shall submit a report on the study under subsection (b) to—

(1) the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate;

(2) the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives;

(3) the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(4) the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

**TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER
COMMERCIALIZATION ACT OF 1999**

EDWARDS AMENDMENT NO. 4300

Mr. MACK (for Mr. EDWARDS) proposed an amendment to the bill (H.R. 209) to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIPS OMBUDSMAN.

(A) APPOINTMENT OF OMBUDSMAN.—The Secretary of Energy shall direct the director of each national laboratory of the Department of Energy, and may direct the director of each facility under the jurisdiction of the Department of Energy, to appoint a technology partnership ombudsman to hear and help resolve complaints from outside organizations regarding the policies and actions of each such laboratory or facility with respect to technology partnerships (including cooperative research and development agreements), patents, and technology licensing.

(b) QUALIFICATIONS.—An ombudsman appointed under subsection (a) shall be a senior official of the national laboratory or facility who is not involved in day-to-day technology partnerships, patents, or technology licensing, or, if appointed from outside the laboratory or facility, function as such a senior official.

(c) DUTIES.—Each ombudsman appointed under subsection (a) shall—

(1) serve as the focal point for assisting the public and industry in resolving complaints and disputes with the national laboratory or facility regarding technology partnerships, patents, and technology licensing;

(2) promote the use of collaborative alternative dispute resolution techniques such as mediation to facilitate the speedy and low-cost resolution of complaints and disputes, when appropriate; and

(3) report quarterly on the number and nature of complaints and disputes raised, along with the ombudsman's assessment of their resolution, consistent with the protection of confidential and sensitive information, to—

(A) the Secretary;

(B) the Administrator for Nuclear Security;

(C) the Director of the Office of Dispute Resolution of the Department of Energy; and

(D) the employees of the Department responsible for the administration of the contract for the operation of each national laboratory or facility that is a subject of the report, for consideration in the administration and review of that contract.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. WELLSTONE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent Evan Mathiason and Daniel Lopez, interns in my office, be granted the privilege of the floor today during Senate deliberations.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**2000 OCTOBER QUARTERLY
REPORTS**

The mailing and filing date of the October Quarterly Report required by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, is Sunday, October 15, 2000. All Principal Campaign Committees supporting Senate candidates in the 2000 races must file their reports with the Senate Office of Public Records, 232 Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-7116. You may wish to advise your campaign committee personnel of this requirement.

The Public Records will be open from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. on October 15th to receive these filings. For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Public Records on (202) 224-0322.

**2000 12 DAY PRE-GENERAL
REPORTS**

The filing date of the 12 Day Pre-General Report required by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, is Thursday, October 26, 2000. The mailing date for the aforementioned report is Monday, October 23, 2000, if postmarked by registered or certified mail. If this report is transmitted in any other manner it must be received by the filing date. All Principal Campaign Committees supporting Senate candidates in the 2000 races must file their reports with the Senate Office of Public Records, 232 Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-7116. You may wish to advise your campaign committee personnel of this requirement.

The Public Records office will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 26th to receive these filings. For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Public Records on (202) 224-0322.

48 HOUR NOTIFICATIONS

The Office of Public Records will be open on three successive Saturdays and Sundays from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of accepting 48 hour notifications of contributions required by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended. The dates are October 21st and 22nd, October 28th and 29th, November 4th and 5th. All principal campaign committees supporting Senate candidates in 2000 must notify the Secretary of the Senate regarding contributions of \$1,000 or more if received after the 20th day, but more than 48 hours before the day of the general election. The 48 hour notifications may also be transmitted by facsimile machine. The Office of Public Records FAX number is (202) 224-1851.

**REGISTRATION OF MASS
MAILINGS**

The filing date for 2000 third quarter mass mailings is October 25, 2000. If your office did no mass mailings during this period, please submit a form that states "none."

Mass mailing registrations, or negative reports, should be submitted to the Senate Office of Public Records, 232 Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-7116.

The Public Records office will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the filing date to accept these filings. For further information, please contact the Public Records office at (202) 224-0322.

**2000 30 DAY POST-GENERAL
REPORTS**

The mailing and filing date of the 30 Day Post-General Report required by the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, is Thursday, December 7, 2000. All Principal Campaign Committees supporting Senate candidates in the 2000 races must file their reports with the Senate Office of Public Records, 232 Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-7116. You may wish to advise your campaign committee personnel of this requirement.

The Public Records office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on December 7th to receive these filings. For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Public Records on (202) 224-0322.

THE CALENDAR

Mr. MACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration, en bloc, of the following reported calendar items by the Energy Committee: Calendar No. 636, S. 2478; Calendar No. 637,